

Boylan Avenue Bridge
Boylan Avenue between West Martin and
West Hargett Streets
Raleigh
Wake County
North Carolina

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UTM: 17.712460.3961610
Quad: Raleigh West

Dates of Construction: 1913

Builder/Designer: Constructed by Charles V. York, Contractor,
Raleigh, North Carolina
Fabricated and erected by the Virginia
Bridge and Iron Company, Roanoke, Virginia

Original Use: Street-Railway Grade Separation

Present Use: Abandoned

Current Owner: City of Raleigh

Significance: Two street-railway separation bridges are
located on South Boylan Avenue between
West Martin and West Hargett Streets.
The inventoried bridge is a riveted
structural street Warren through truss,
150.0 feet between main support pins,
24.0 foot clear roadway, and provides a
minimum vertical clearance of 17.6 feet.
Wooden deck sidewalks, 8.0 feet wide, are
cantilevered outside the truss on each
side. This bridge was built in 1913 for
the Seaboard Airline Railway Company
(presently the Seaboard Coast Line Railroad
Company). The reinforced concrete
substructure was constructed by Charles V.
York, Contractor, of Raleigh, North Carolina.
The superstructure was fabricated and erected
by the Virginia Bridge and Iron Company of
Roanoke, Virginia. The second bridge is
reinforced concrete deck slab, 49 feet in
length of three spans (16 feet, 17 feet,
16 feet), and provides a clear roadway width
of 26.0 feet with 7 foot sidewalks on each
side.

References:

City of Raleigh Planning Report; North
Carolina Department of Transportation
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Evaluation

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